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Polly Larkin.

Any one who is blessed with a very sensitive and sympathetic nature should never pass along the streets where poultry dealers are receiving and dispatching coop after coop of chickens and their peace of mind destroyed and their hearts filled with indignation. If circumstances are such that they are compelled to pass by these places of business day after day, the chances are they will lose much of their sweet disposition and harbor thoughts that will not harmonize with the three graces—"faith, hope and charity." In the first place, there is a law for the protection of chickens from thirst and hunger and unnecessary rough handling, but you haven't a bit of faith that the poultry dealers will pay any attention to it. In the second place, knowing these people as you do and their slack way of looking at these everyday occurrences, which amount to positive cruelty, you haven't a grain of hope for anything better. Charity, you have none. If you ever had any towards these people it has vanished long since. So, in this particular phase of life, "faith, hope and charity" don't figure. Polly never has to pass by these places that my blood don't boil with indignation, and I am sure to have thoughts that are altogether uncomplimentary to the men in this business. Here comes a wagon with seven or eight coops crowded with geese, chickens, ducks or turkeys, as the case may be. Over the rough stone pavements is bad enough, but that is unavoidable. The wagon is backed up to the sidewalk with a force that you would think the awful jar would not leave a live bird in the cages. Then coop after coop is dropped to the sidewalk with a bang that leaves them panting, bruised, and frightened nearly to death; but the torture is not over. Off comes the slats and they are grabbed by the wing or leg and torn out of the coop and handed squawking to a man near by, who holds them in this cruel way until he gets his dozen, and then they are hustled down stairs into a dark cellar and put in coops prepared for them. It does Polly a world of good when some motherly old hen resents the rough handling and gives a vicious peck at her tormentor's hands that brings the blood. It is altogether unnecessary to be as cruel as these Italian poultry dealers are. Most of them are of that nationality, and their one thought is haste and the almighty dollar. They seem to be devoid of common humanity. Many of them belong to the class known as dagos, and you don't expect anything better from them.

One of the greatest acts of cruelty, however, is allowing coops of chickens to stand in the broiling sun all day with not a drop of water or food. The chances are that they have been sent from some interior town, and have possibly been without food or water for three or four days. Parched with thirst every fowl in the coop is panting with wide-open mouths, as if begging for a drop of water to appease their thirst. I have seen them struggling to get to the edge of the cage and pushing their heads through the slats would bury their bills in the mud and remain that way until you would expect them to be suffocated. It seems to Polly that here the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals should step in and include poultry in the list of their good work.

Sick chickens, lame chickens, lame chickens and blind chickens all go into the same cage, although the rough handling causes much of the lameness and broken legs and wings. They are jerked out of the coop in a way that makes the feathers fly, and not infrequently, if it does not break their legs or wings, disjoints them. But what of that? The lame and the not altogether healthy and plump-looking chickens are sold to the cheap restaurants and tample dealers. It would make you shudder to see some of these fowls that are sold to these places. There isn't a housekeeper who raises chickens for her own table but would have the poor, sick chicken killed and thrown over the fence; or, if unusually careful, would have the carcass buried for fear of the other poultry being infected. Another thing that one sees frequently in these places is the fowls that have not been sold and have lain in pickle for goodness knows how long. Suddenly some cheap restaurant keeper has a demand for chicken dinners, possibly for chicken salad for some entertainment; out comes these chickens, looking blue and green and yellow, and they are sent off by the basketful. They are a sight to behold, and repulsive is no name for them. It takes all your appetite and fondness for chicken away for many a long day. You don't even want to hear the name of chicken or turkey.

During the winter season when so many dressed chickens and turkeys are shipped from the interior, as well as whole carcasses from the East, for the holidays, is another trying time for all poultry lovers. I have seen dressed turkeys piled up on the street several feet deep, and you can rest assured they were not the choice pick of the consignments, but the majority of them were bruised and torn in a way that would make you turn your head away in disgust. Knowing the way of the poultry world in our markets, it makes one very wary of calling for chicken unless it is in an entirely up-to-date restaurant, and even then you are rather shy of chicken fricassee.

Some one asked a question the other

Current News.

CALIFORNIA.

ALAMEDA.

San Lorenzo has progressed to such an extent that the need of a new schoolhouse is recognized as imperative, and therefore the Trustees have called an election to be held Monday, April 15th, for the purpose of voting on the issuance of bonds in the sum of \$12,000, of which \$10,000 will be devoted to the erection of the building and the remaining \$2,000 to furnishing it with the most modern school utilities.

James Ferguson, 24 years old and a resident of Poplar, Tulare county, was drowned in the swimming pool at the Piedmont baths. He was attending a business college in Yuba county and had gone to the baths in company with three friends—Ed Cottle, James Gannon and George Chapman—for a swim. They had been in some little time. Ferguson had swum the length of the 100-foot pool and had started back, when he began shouting for help and asking his friends to come to his assistance, as he was drowning. His companions thought the drowning man was jesting and did not respond.

GALAVAS.

George W. Mathews and his mother were riding behind a spirited horse, when the animal became frightened and ran away, going down Carmen hill, a steep, dangerous piece of road. Both Mathews and his mother were thrown out. She was born in Japan, and was a native of the island. She was some distance and probably fatally injured. His mother was badly bruised.

HUMBOLDT.

Mrs. Mary Orr, for two years and a half employed as a teacher at the Government Indian School in Hoopa valley, died suddenly during the night from heart disease. Mrs. Orr was a native of Portland, Or., where her family resides.

KERN.

John C. Behan, who escaped from the county jail at Flagstaff, A. T., March 3d, with four other prisoners, has been arrested at Bakersfield by Sheriff Borgwardt.

George Sandow was killed by falling down a shaft in the interior of the Church of Los Angeles. His membership costs 1500.

On Catalina island a lady and a gentleman, tourists, walked to the beach by way of the trail, but seeing a long stretch of sand, attempted to return by way of the beach. When they reached the shore, the lady, who was dressed in a long, flowing gown, stepped down the beach and they must either retrace their steps or scale a cliff, and they undertook to climb it. After laboring up 200 feet they came upon a place more difficult than any they had encountered. Rocks and shale were slipping from beneath their feet and dashing into the foaming waters below. It was still a hundred feet or more to the top of the cliff, and when they tried to return to the beach the woman became dizzy and could not move. The man reached the trail and came to town for help, leaving the woman on the cliff side.

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fen, the teacher, has secured a warrant for the boy's arrest.

SANTA BARBARA.

The first passenger train, consisting of three Pullman cars, over the new road from Santa Barbara to San Luis Obispo took place March 24th. The run of 120 miles over a perfect roadbed was made in exactly three hours. A stretch of 100 miles lies along the beach.

NEVADA.

Hilda Williams, the four-year-old daughter of Mrs. Williams, and Clara Gill, the five-year-old son of The Gill, were drowned in a pond of water near Reuben Thomas' diggings, north of Grass Valley. The children were playing near the water and both fell in.

RIVERSIDE.

William S. Gibb came to Riverside on a visit from his home in the country and found his wife in a drugstore waiting for an electric car. He approached her unawares, and before bystanders could interfere succeeded in giving the woman such a brutal beating as to render her unconscious for some time. A large crowd of angry men soon congregated, and only the timely arrival of the police prevented Gibb from being given a coat of tar and feathers. The wife's husband, who was with her, without telling him. He is a well-to-do horticulturist.

SAN FRANCISCO.

Damon Massanoba, who shot eight times at his wife, Anna Massanoba, on the afternoon of January 25th, was sent to San Quentin for three years and six months. Massanoba is 61 years old, and Judge Cook took that fact into consideration in passing sentence. Massanoba was at one time wealthy, but through mismanagement of his money he has squandered most of his money.

Mrs. Margaret Hansen, aged 33 years, after making repeated threats to kill her two small children and herself, upon the request of relatives has been removed to the county hospital. Her unfortunate condition is said to be the direct result of the neglect and cruelty of her husband, L. J. Hansen. He is a furrier by trade, but has done little of the trade in the last two years. The two children of the couple are Louis, 20 months old, and Harry, 5 years old.

The large estate of the late Mrs. Almira S. Townsend, the enthusiastic friend and generous patroness of the soldiers, will not be distributed without the consent of the court, as the will by the filing of a petition alleging proof of a destroyed will and praying that it be admitted to probate. The petitioner is Joseph W. Coburn, a brother of the deceased, who is in quest of an alleged legacy of \$25,000. Coburn is a carpenter and staid builder, and has been a resident of the Mission for several years.

LOS ANGELES.

The Ladies' Presbyterian Church on the Pacific coast, the largest of the kind in the West, held its annual conference at Los Angeles. Its membership counts 1500.

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ARMY AND NAVY.

UNITED STATES.

The transport Logan has arrived from Manila, with the Thirty-third and Thirty-fourth infantry regiments and Major-General S. M. B. Young and his staff.

Without either knowing of the other's illness, Mrs. Mary Williams and John Reynolds, brother and sister, who had been separated for ten years, died in the Dunning Hospital, Chicago, within an hour of each other.

About 30,000 regulars will be entitled to their discharges in the current year. It is proposed to let these soldiers return to their homes and not to fill their places. Thus the Army can be reduced to 70,000 men in a perfectly natural way, without interfering with its discipline or effectiveness.

Four officers and sixty-four riflemen who belonged to General Trine's command have surrendered in Southern Luzon. Flores, another rebel leader, has also surrendered, together with eight officers and twenty-two rifles. It is estimated that 2000 rifles, 1000 arms and bolomen have surrendered.

Colonel Rosario, with fifty-one men and fifty-six rifles, has surrendered to Colonel Baldwin of the Fourth Infantry, at San Francisco de Malabon, Cavite province. Lieutenant Dean, Troop Sixth Cavalry, has engaged a force of insurgents at Tubig, Laguna province, killing several of them and capturing seven men and twenty-four rifles.

Advices from the Philippines are so encouraging for peace that the War Department is considering the advisability of reducing the garrison in the archipelago. The reorganized army is to be recruited to the full strength of 100,000 men, but it is believed that further requirements will not compel the administration to maintain this maximum.

General Funston has succeeded in capturing Aguinaldo. He has reached Manila with his important captive on the gunboat Vicksburg. General Funston's assistance of a number of Macabebes, captured Aguinaldo in the country near Casiguran, nine miles from Baler, on the northeast coast of the island of Luzon. The rebel leader and his entire staff are now in Manila. General Funston is believed to have worked successfully, with the result that the head and front of the insurrection is now where he will do no more harm to American interests. Recent dispatches from Manila indicate the departure of General Funston on the gunboat Vicksburg, which was such that those who knew him intimately had faith that he would accomplish his object. Some months ago letters were captured by Americans showing beyond peradventure that the rebel leader was hiding in the northeastern part of the island. General Funston immediately conceived his bold plan to capture him, which received General MacArthur's approval. Three weeks ago he started from Manila with Surgeon-Major Harlan, Captain Newton and a detachment of the Twenty-second Infantry, Lieutenant Mitchell of the Fortieth Infantry, six veteran Americans and a number of native scouts, all of whom were selected for their bravery and extensive knowledge of the country. General Funston's plan was that after he and his party landed as near as possible to the place where Aguinaldo was thought to be in hiding, native scouts were to surround themselves off as insurgents, who, having captured General Funston and other Americans, were conveying them to Aguinaldo. When the supposed captives were brought by their alleged captors before Aguinaldo, they were to suddenly appear in their true character, seize the wily Filipino and make their way back to the coast, where the gunboat Vicksburg, which had conveyed the party, was to wait their return. It will readily be seen that the adventure was a desperate one, as treachery was always possible, and General Funston had no absolute means of knowing how many men Aguinaldo had, and how many of them were loyal. He would have enough to overwhelm the Americans and their native allies, but this did not deter them. They accepted the risk, with the result that Aguinaldo is now safe in the hands of the American military authorities in Manila.

SOUTH AFRICA.

It is rumored from Bloemfontein that General De Wet is again in the Orange River Colony.

Severe fighting has occurred between the British and Boers at Hartbeestfontein, east of Klerksdorp, Transvaal. It is said the Boers lost heavily in attacking the garrison at Hartbeestfontein. More than seventy burghers are reported to have been shot at one spot among the wire entanglements.

The dispatch from Vryheid is regarded as giving the total of General French's captives through his operations. It indicates that the capture of an additional gun and of more Boers and war material.

General French, with Darnall's and Poutney's columns have arrived at Vryheid, having killed, wounded or captured 1200 Boers. He has taken several cannon, 1000 rifles, 1800 wagons and 226,000 head of horses cattle and sheep.

The town guard at Queenstown has been called out, owing to reports that a force of Boers is in the town. Business has been shut down in order to free the employees to man the trenches and fortify and night. The Boers, who are said to be twenty miles off, are alleged to have crossed the railroad near Drummond.

The Cape Town correspondent of the London Daily Express reports the capture by 100 Boers of 1300 Colonial in a rocky defile near Richmond. It is reported that the Colonials lost thirteen killed and twenty wounded. They were all liberated, after having been stripped of their arms.

The official casualty list, issued in London, indicates a renewal of active operations since the failure of the negotiations between Lord Kitchener and General Buller at Hartbeestfontein. March 23d, two officers were killed and three wounded. There also seems to have been heavy fighting at a place near Grededdaacht.

Lord Kitchener says Barbington's force, including Shikwa's column, attacked Delarey, 1500 strong, southwest of Ventersdorp, and having defeated him, followed him up rapidly with the result that the Boer's rear guard was broken up. The Boers' capture, including the guns captured at Vryheid, the English troops displayed great gallantry and dash. They captured 20 15-pounder guns and one pom-pom, six Maxim's, 320 rifles, 1600 ammunition, 15,000 rounds of small arms ammunition, 1600 rifles and 24 carts, besides taking 150 prisoners.

TURKEY.

The Ottoman Government has sent a warship to Marathoudupos, island of Samos, off the west coast of Asia Minor, where the southern region of the island being in rebellion.

UNITED STATES.

An effort is to be made to banish vice from the tenement houses of New York. Mrs. Whitelaw Reid has offered \$5000 to aid in building a civil hospital in Manila.

In Kansas there is a bill before the Legislature to take a census of the prairie dogs of the State, with a view of exterminating them.

Because she was not allowed to assume control of household funds, Mrs. Elizabeth Preble, but one week the bride of Frank Preble, 6328 Wood street, Chicago, committed suicide. She was 22 years old.

E. M. Knox and his sister of New York city have given \$30,000 for the erection of a Methodist church in Manila, to be a memorial to their deceased father. A fine site has been procured and work will soon begin.

A fearful tornado swept over the southern part of Birmingham, Ala. The number of killed is estimated at twenty-five, of whom five are white. The destruction of property is estimated at a quarter of a million dollars.

Mrs. Nathan Townsend, who lives near Cass City, Mich., poisoned herself and her two children. The girl aged 8 years and a boy aged 10, with laudanum. All three died. Family difficulties are believed to have been the cause of the poisoning.

In the first mine explosion to occur in the Klondike region of Fayette county, Pa., one man was killed instantly, five will die, and ten were burned and crushed so terribly that it is doubtful if they will recover. The dead man is an unknown Italian.

W. A. Srenator, a grading contractor, who on days ago moved into the Melrose Hill house in which young Edward Cudahy was held a prisoner awaiting the payment of \$25,000 ransom by his father, shot at and, it is thought, fatally wounded a man who was standing near the door. The man was shot in the chest and was supposed to be robbed.

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A cyclone struck the town of Pavilion, Mich., a small village about twenty miles southeast of Kalamazoo, which wrecked a couple of houses, uprooted trees, tore down telegraph poles and did much damage. A severe storm passed through Vicksburg and Scott's Station, both small towns, doing great damage. Nearly every building in the path of the storm was wrecked. Large orchards were destroyed and fences were thrown down.

Twelve men assaulted in Chicago each day for no other reason than that they are Jews, with the average of one death a year growing out of these assaults, were figures presented recently at an indignation meeting of Jewish residents of Chicago. The word spoken by the speakers declared, made little effort to protect members of their race from the attacks of hoodlums. In several instances, it was said, the police had looked on when a word was being made and had failed to interfere.

Arthur M. Tree, son of Lambert M. Tree, former United States Minister to Russia, began suit in the Superior Court for an absolute divorce from Ethel F. Tree, daughter of Marshall Field, head of the house of Marshall, Field & Co., and the richest man in Chicago. The suit is brought on the ground of desertion. The parties were married January 1, 1891, and lived together until March 28, 1896. The married couple, defendant left his home and has since refused to return.

With the aid of Louisville detectives a man was arrested at Pineville, Ky., who is said to be J. C. Dunham, who was wanted on a charge of murder. He is on a charge of wholesale murder. The man is said to have killed Mrs. R. P. McGilney, Hattie Dunham, Minnie Schlessley, Colonel McGilney, James Wills and Robert Brisco on the night of May 28, 1896. The man arrested answers fully the description of Dunham, although he maintains a stolid indifference aside from denying that he is the man wanted.

The tallest chimney on this continent is being erected at Constable Hook, Bayonne, N. J., whence come the smoke and gases of which the people of Staten Island, the Jersey coast adjacent and navigators of the harbor have been complaining for the last five years. The smoke is being put up by the Standard Copper Company, whose plant adjoins that of the Standard Oil Company, to carry off the smoke and gases from its furnace which have been the chief source of complaint.

FOREIGN.

Li Hung Chang has fully recovered his health.

The one day German steamer from Scotland for Kiel, has been lost with all on board.

The Dominican fathers have recently been established at Brussels, after a century's exile from that city.

Rev. Stochouse of the Loudon Missionary Society has been murdered by bandits fourteen miles east of Tien-sin.

The celebrated Jesuit scholar, Abbe Renard, professor at the University of Ghent, has broken off relations with the church in order to marry.

Karpovich, the assassin of Bogoleoff, Russian Minister of Public Instruction, has been sentenced to hard labor for life. He will be imprisoned in Schlesselsburg fortress, on an island in the Neva.

In an affray at Tien-sin, two members of the Welsh Fusilier Regiment and a member of the Manchester regiment, who were acting as policemen, were sabered and bayoneted. It is alleged that Germans were the principal culprits.

The police of St. Petersburg have discovered a plot against the life of the czar. It appears that a group of students drew lots and that the fatal choice fell to the son of a famous General. The boy told his father, and the latter told the czar, imploring him to leave St. Petersburg.











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**A Penalty For Being Polite.**

It is more difficult to be polite in the city of Hamburg than in any other place in Europe. There the most chivalrous man has to think twice before giving up his seat in a car to a lady, as he may be turned off the car for politeness. It seems that the Hamburg trolley cars will seat, according to size, 20 or 28 persons, 10 to 14 on each side. In addition four persons are allowed on the front and five persons on the back platform. When the car is full, the conductor hangs out a sign, "Be seated," which means "occupied," and is absolutely forbidden to take on another passenger until some one gets off the car.

Sometimes, while the conductor is in front collecting fares, a lady will step on the car which is already "occupied." As there is no conductor on hand to prevent her, the lady steps inside, and the gentleman who may offer her a seat comes out and takes his stand on the platform. When the conductor after going his rounds returns to his post, he promptly requests the gentleman to step off the car, as he has forfeited his seat and the car is fully "occupied." Should he refuse to leave the car he is put off. The policemen on the streets are instructed to watch the cars sharply, and if they find a car carries even one more passenger than its proper complement the conductor is fined 72 cents, which is paid to a charity fund of the street railway company.—Philadelphia Press.

**Salt and Horse Radish.**

Some people care for nothing but lemon on raw oysters, but there are others who desire horse radish. Usually such folk regard the strongest horse radish as the best, but an experienced vendor of the condiment poochpools this point of view.

"Why should the strong horse radish be considered good?" says he. "It brings tears to your eyes and lifts the top of your head off and makes you want to sneeze. It has no taste whatever. The mild horse radish, that has stood awhile, is the best and pleasantest always."

"There is nothing so foolish as to think that the strong, biting kind is the fresh—that is the reason why it is preferred to the mild sort—for the very stalest, weakest horse radish can be made in 20 minutes strong enough to blow your head off. All you need to do is to add salt to it. Try this some time. Just take any old horse radish, wash it in a spoonful of salt and then notice the difference. I don't know why salt should have such a powerful effect on the stuff, but no doubt a chemist could tell you that."—Philadelphia Record.

The author of a book which has sold well has adopted a novel scheme for advertising it. He has had a large quantity of excellent Egyptian cigarettes made, and on the wrapper of each in gold letters is stamped the name of his book. He has sent packages of these cigarettes to his friends with the request that they scatter them where they will do the most good.

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"One of the most desirable posts at Windsor castle," says a correspondent of the Chicago Record, "is that of 'the king's flunkey,' who in ancient times decorated books and manuscripts with initial letters and who now prepares the parchment commissions when his majesty is pleased to confer knighthood or some other honor upon one of his subjects. The man who now fills the post has extraordinary skill with the pen and brush, and his diplomas and certificates were greatly admired for their exquisite taste and skillful execution. He receives a salary of \$2,500 a year. The clockmaker at Windsor castle receives the same compensation, and it is his business to keep all the timepieces in repair. The historiographer, who is supposed to keep a record of events, holds a hereditary office, with a salary of \$2,500 a year. The master of music receives \$1,500 and arranges concerts for his majesty's diversion. The surveyor of pictures is paid \$1,500, the librarian receives \$2,500, the examiner of plays \$2,000, the keeper of the swans is paid \$300, and the bargemaster, who looks after the boats used by the royal family at Windsor, has a similar compensation."

**CHOICE MISCELLANY****Photography in Fog.**

To speak of photography in a fog sounds like a cutting from a comic paper rather than a serious scientific fact, but it is a scientific fact none the less, says the New York Journal, and the man who is conducting investigations in this peculiar line of photography is the shrewd, energetic ruler of the German empire.

Quite recently the kaiser has been steaming about in the Baltic on his yacht, ostensibly on pleasure bent, but in reality with a far different object. He was accompanied by two men whose skill with the camera and whose knowledge of its construction are unequalled, and the result of that little trip will be the beginning of important developments in connection with the navy and merchant service of Germany, if not of other countries.

By means of a specially constructed camera the kaiser's friends succeeded in obtaining clear and distinct photographs of vessels and of the coast line when those objects were a mile off and both the photographer and the photographed were enveloped in a thick fog. This wonderful result was obtained with an exposure of two seconds only.

The necessary complement to the camera is an apparatus that will enable the operator to develop his picture in a few seconds so that it can be thrown on a screen. The perfection of this apparatus is now engaging the attention of the two scientific men, the expenses being paid by the German government.

Merchant vessels in a fog could take their bearings in a similar way, and they would find it more effective than sirens in preventing collisions.

**Once Ours, Now Britain's.**

Do you know, says a writer in the New York Herald, that the British have one of our warships tied up at a dock in London flying the British flag and regularly commissioned in the British navy? What is more, she is called the President, and on her bow is the figurehead of John Adams carved out of a huge chunk of American wood and handsomely gilded. For a quarter of a century the ship has been lying at her present berth near the East India docks, most of the time stuck in the mud. There is some doubt whether she would float, and it is probably true that she would go to pieces if sent as far out to sea as the mouth of the Thames. She was captured by the British in the war of 1812.

The lines of the President are still beautiful. She must have been a very handsome ship under sail. Although one of the largest ships in the world at the time of her launch, she would be more pygmy beside one of the great warships of the present day. Yet she is more picturesque even in her present dismantled condition than the Brooklyn, Oregon or Kearsarge.

The President is now used as a drill ship for the Royal Naval reserves, having been fitted up for this purpose in 1861 at Chatham. Until 1876 she lay at the City canal, river Thames, and was then moved to her present berth.

**Driveway of Twenty Miles.**

Even New Yorkers have, as a general thing, little idea of the change that is coming over New York in respect to its external appearance. The improvement that has been wrought by the great system of beautifully paved streets and the cutting through of parkways and driveways is unknown to most of our people. I wonder how many there are who know that, with the finishing of the viaduct across the Manhattan valley at Riverside drive, we have practically completed a 20 mile driveway. As soon as the new avenue that is to connect this viaduct with the French boulevard to the north of One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street has been finished there will be a continuous stretch of roadway from Seventy-second street and Central park to One Hundred and Tenth street, to Riverside drive, to the viaduct, to the French boulevard, to Dykeman street, to the speedway at St. Nicholas park and back to the park. This beautiful drive, nearly 20 miles long, is lined for almost its entire length with handsome dwellings, and the pavement is the most perfect in the world.—New York Tribune.

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**NAPOLEON'S EYE.****One Look From It Explained His Power Over Men.**

In 1887, while working in London as a curate to the Rev. Canon Fleming, I was called in by my vicar's absence to administer a religious service to an old admiral in Eaton square. The admiral's name was Edouard. After the service was over he took my hand and said: "Shake hands with me, young man. There are not many alive who can say what I can say. You are talking with a man who has talked to Napoleon the Great." "Sir," I said, "that is history. May I hear more?" The old admiral then told me that he was once returning with the fleet—I think from the West Indies, but of that I am not sure—and touched at St. Helena. The admiral said, "I am going up to Longwood to pay my respects to Napoleon, and the senior midshipman comes with me."

"I was the senior midshipman," said the old gentleman, "and so I went. We waited for Napoleon in an outer room, and you must imagine how eagerly I expected his entrance. The door was thrown open at last, and in he came. He was short and fat and nothing very attractive but for a grey eye. My word, sir, I have never seen anything like it. After speaking to the admiral he turned to me, and then I understood for the first time in my life what was the meaning of the phrase, 'A born ruler of men.' I had been taught to hate the French as I hated the devil, but when Napoleon looked at me there was such power and majesty in his look that if he had bade me lie down that he might walk over me I would have done it at once. English midship though I was, the look in Napoleon's face was the revelation of the man and the explanation of his power. He was born to command."

Such was Admiral Eden's version to me of an incident which at 90 years old or thereabout seemed to him as fresh as if it had happened only the day before.—Rev. John Rooker in London Spectator.

**Methodical Puncturation.**

Speaking of W. H. ("Coin") Harvey, a Chicago man said:

"An amusing incident took place while Harvey was editor of Coin, a paper published in Chicago. One day Harvey, in talking to one of his partners, took exception to the want of puncturation in the paper. 'There isn't enough puncturation,' he complained, 'and Coin doesn't look right without it. There ought to be a comma once in so often, then so often a colon, and all the rest. Don't you think so?' he wound up appealingly."

"I do, indeed," heartily replied the partner, who was not wholly devoid of humor. "That's a great idea of yours, Harvey. If I were you," he suggested, "I'd draw up a rule to that effect."

"Harvey thought it over, and the thought commended itself. The next day, therefore, a rule reading somewhat as follows was posted in the office of Coin: 'Hereafter it is the rule of this office that articles appearing in the columns of this paper must be punctuated as follows: Every 12 words shall carry a comma; every three lines a semicolon; every four lines a colon; every five lines a period; exclamation and question marks may be used as heretofore. The employees of this paper will please observe this order.'"—New York Tribune.

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**THE FRENCH SOLDIER****SOME OF THE BRUTALITIES TO WHICH HE IS SUBJECTED.**

**Hazings and Other Punishments Which Sometimes End in the Victim's Death That Are Winked at, If Not Ordered, by the Officers.**

Soldiers in the French army are not subjected by law to corporal punishment any more than it has been a part of the regulations governing the Military academy at West Point that cadets should "brace" or "qualify" on molasses and prunes. Nevertheless the hazing process is put through a French soldier which is most severe and several times has caused death. The French soldier is known as Pictor Dumanet, just as the English soldier is known as Tommy Atkins. Dumanet finds when he joins the colors that life is not all skittles for a soldier.

The thing which distinguishes the hazing in the French army from the hazing in American colleges and universities is that it is suggested and ordered by the commissioned officers. An officer will say to a corporal or a sergeant, "You have a man here who has done so and so," naming some trivial offense, more than likely to be some neglect of the deference due to the officer. "It would do him good if he were tossed in a blanket."

The officer turns on his heel and walks away, while the unfortunate soldier is placed in a blanket, with sabre, spurs, jack boots, bayonets and such pleasant bedfellows, and the combination is tossed until the hazzers are tired to continue. This is great sport for the man's comrades, especially if they are half drunk, which they are likely to be. This diversion has rather gone out of favor just now, because several soldiers who have been tossed had the bad taste to die after the discipline.

In some of the French barracks a favorite method of punishment is to hang the offending soldier up by his heels and then to spank him with a sword bayonet. In Algiers, where the men are far removed in the outlying garrisons from the central authority and at the mercy of their tormentors, they are subjected to many forms of hazing at the suggestion of the officers.

At one time the "vilo" was much in favor among the hazzers in the Algerian army of occupation. It consisted in putting a man in a deep hole made in the shape of a reversed funnel dug by the soldiers in the ground as a place for the storage of corn. The unfortunate man was left there sometimes for days, with hardly anything to eat or drink and exposed all the time to the heat of the sun, while at night the place was cold. Many died from hunger, thirst or cold, while many others became insane.

The military authorities when they became aware of these tortures issued orders to the fellows who were punished, but it did not do much good. I thought the note rather nice," she concluded pensively, "and put the flowers in the parlor on the center table, writing back that I had done so. Why in the world was I so prompt?" she laughed.

"Oh, much more! My dear, it is always idiotic to go into details like that. Well, he did not go out of town, but was 'fortunately' detained and came around after all to tell me so. And these wretched violet!"

"Surely they were all right?"

"I had loaned them to Annie to wear to the Blanks' dinner. Of course I had to tell him that the heat of the room was too great, and I had put them in the icebox. Just as he was going and I was congratulating myself on my escape in sailed that miserable girl, violets and all! If he had only gone, as he said he would, it would have been all right. Men are so unreliable!"—New York Mail and Express.

**Animal Peculiarities.**

If a female fox (vixen) gets caught in a steel trap and is discovered by the male or fox dog, it is said he invariably kills her, although I have not heard it stated that the vixen would kill the dog fox or another vixen or the male another male.

If a cow becomes impaled on a fence nail, and remains with the whole head and neck with the nail in it, it will instantly rush wildly to the spot, fight and apparently try their best to destroy her if not beaten off.

A hog confined with others in a pen breaks out and on being returned to the pen is at once set upon and bitten by the others.

Why, with all the instinct animals possess, is the desire so strong to injure or destroy rather than to help or rescue?—New York Sun.

**Wood That Causes Sneezing.**

Among its many curious products South Africa includes the "sneeze wood" tree, which takes its name from the fact that one cannot cut it with a saw without sneezing, as the fine dust has exactly the effect of snuff. Even in planing the wood it will sometimes cause sneezing. No insect, worm or bacteria will touch it. It is very bitter to the taste, and when placed in water it will sink. The color is light brown and the grain very close and hard. For dock work, piers or jetties it is a useful timber, lasting a long while under water.

**Where the Shoe Pinched.**

Young Girl (glancing at her pedal extremities)—Oh, dear! My feet are so awfully big!

Practical Auntie—But you stand on them all right, don't you?

Young Girl—Oh, yes, but so do other folks too.—New York Tribune.

**Ready Excuse.**

Beggar—Say, boss, won't you help a poor fellow out a job?

Joakley—Gracious! Can't you get out of it without my help? Pretend you're sick or something.—Philadelphia Press.

**A Thoughtful Little Wife.**

Young Wife—My dear, there is a gentleman waiting in the other room. He wants to speak to you.

He—Do you know him?

She—You must forgive me, darling, but of late you have been troubled with a cough, besides, you take so little care of yourself, and—oh, if you only knew how anxious I am about you. Suppose you come and see me now. (She bursts into sobbing and throws herself on his breast.)

He—Come, my dear, silly child, do be calm, do be calm. People don't die of a slight cold. Still, if it will pacify you, show the doctor in. Who is it?

Dr. Pallot, eh?

She—It isn't a doctor. It is—it is a life insurance agent!

The bank notes issued by the Vesterbotten Enskilda bank of Sweden, and other private banks must be presented for payment within one year or they will be forfeited. Swedish banks have hitherto issued bank notes as general currency, but now a law has been passed which gives the national or state bank this privilege alone, as is the case in Denmark.

**"THE FRENCH SHORE."****Where Misery, Squalor, Hunger and Cold Rule in Newfoundland.**

Misery, squalor and wretchedness, struggled by an almost ceaseless struggle with hunger and cold, are the portion of the inhabitants of the "North Shore," in Newfoundland. Their little hamlets are perched in the rifts in the almost unbroken hills, and the fierce storms sweep the surface almost to their doorsteps, while for seven months of the year their coast is blockaded with ice and they are cut off from all communication with the outside world.

The only industry is codfishing, and cod is the sole medium of exchange. The people rarely see money, and barter is the system of trading, a quintal of cod being the unit of value. The needs of the fisher folk are only supplied by the itinerant trader, his schooner being laden with provisions, clothing and fishing appliances. Thus have these people lived for generations. They are ignorant, for the means of education are nonexistent, the children being content with what satisfied their fathers. The common objects of everyday life are unknown to them. They have neither horses nor cattle. Only a few of the older folk who have ventured south have any knowledge of these things.

There are no roads and therefore no vehicles. Travel is by boat during the summer and over the ice floes during the rest of the year. The few letters for the clergy and others who can read are conveyed to the settlements by dog teams during the winter, and save for the fortnightly visit of the mailboat during the period of open navigation, a steamer is never seen by the residents.

With such marvels as electric telegraphs, telephones and electric light they are of course unfamiliar, and their standard of intelligence is best indicated by stating that it is not unusual to find a justice of the peace who cannot write his own name.—Chambers' Journal.

**A MAN AND HIS VIOLETS.****The Story of the Vivacious Maid Who Received the Flowers.**

"Yes, it was a lovely bunch of violets," sighed the girl who received them, "but I wish they had never come to me. You see, it was this way: The man who sent them is one of those awkward fellows who have got to be despised—the kind you feel so glad to see talking to some one else, don't you know," she ended appealingly.

"Yes; I've seen the type," sympathetically replied her auditor.

"Well, on my birthday he sent that lovely bunch of violets—perfect beauties they were—with a dear little note to the effect that he had to go out of town, but would be represented by these little purple clad messengers, so like my eyes and whose fragrance, I thought, reminded him of me. I thought the note rather nice," she concluded pensively, "and put the flowers in the parlor on the center table, writing back that I had done so. Why in the world was I so prompt?" she laughed.

"Oh, much more! My dear, it is always idiotic to go into details like that. Well, he did not go out of town, but was 'fortunately' detained and came around after all to tell me so. And these wretched violet!"

"Surely they were all right?"

"I had loaned them to Annie to wear to the Blanks' dinner. Of course I had to tell him that the heat of the room was too great, and I had put them in the icebox. Just as he was going and I was congratulating myself on my escape in sailed that miserable girl, violets and all! If he had only gone, as he said he would, it would have been all right. Men are so unreliable!"—New York Mail and Express.

If a female fox (vixen) gets caught in a steel trap and is discovered by the male or fox dog, it is said he invariably kills her, although I have not heard it stated that the vixen would kill the dog fox or another vixen or the male another male.

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